

**From Washington City.**

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE NEW YORK HERALD.**  
**THE INTERNATIONAL COPYRIGHT TREATY—ITS CONSTITUTIONALITY QUESTIONED—AN INTERVIEW WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.**  
**WASHINGTON, March 19, 1888.**

The international treaty is opposed by some of the most intelligent lawyers of the Senate. A constitutional question has been raised, in the propriety of which it is believed a large majority of the Senate concur: the constitution gives Congress the power by law, not the Senate, to make treaties, and the treaty in question is a treaty, to secure to authors their respective writings. The executive branch of the government can make a treaty on this subject, it is contended they can make a treaty upon every subject of local federal legislation; they can regulate the mails within the State by treaty with a foreign power; they can establish a federal department of the government, or abolish one, by treaty—thus establishing all the powers of the House of Representatives. Besides, it is urged that the clause of the constitution referred to was intended for the protection of our own citi-

ing exclusively, and not for foreigners. The outside world, by sending slips of newspaper paragraphs to senators and paid agents here, has excited opposition with some who were inclined to give the constitution the liberal interpretation. It has no chance of being sustained.

Mr. Tilden, Field Marshal of the south, had a two hours interview with the Secretary of State yesterday. X. Y. Z.

THE DOINGS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE—BOSTON CUSTOM HOUSE—THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, March 19, 1883.

Mr. Wilson, Land Office Commissioner, has been making some curious movements of late. First, to conciliate his administration, he appointed some democratic clerks to his bureau; and, secondly, finding out that this sort of generosity would do no good, he appears to be determined to be revenged by thrusting them out again, and such other democrats as are most obnoxious to his majesty. Among his recent removals is Capt. Wankowitz, a grand

nephew of Gen. Jackson, and Miss Apollonia Jagellie  
 Chapman, to whom a little writing had been kindly given  
 by Mr. Secretary Stuart. Mr. Wilson will probably be the  
 successful removal from the Land Office.  
 It is understood that since the bestowal of the Naval  
 Office of Boston upon Col. Grease, his son-in-law, Mr.  
 Sully, has, with proper sense of delicacy, declined to  
 accept a candidate for the Post Office. It is he so,  
 the most prominent candidate remaining is Mr. Hudson,  
 the Exchange Reading Room. His friends, at least,  
 are confident of his success.  
 The President, we are informed, is anxious to get rid of  
 the Senate as soon as possible, for, with their departure,  
 is hoped a good many office drummers will also disap-  
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**From the South.**  
**SOUTHERN MAIL FAILURE—FIRE NAVIGATION OF**  
**THE AMAZON AND LA PLATA.**  
 BUREAUER, March 19, 1853.  
 We have no mail beyond Richmond this morning.  
 The Washington *Union* publishes the Bulletin des

used to commerce the tributaries of the Amazon and the Plata rivers. Nearly twenty ports or points are decorated.

**Markets.**  
CINCINNATI, March 18, 1868.  
The business in provisions is very dull. Shoulders and crystallized sides are selling at 65¢. Bacon, 55¢. 4 smoked, 66. 5¢. Corn, 35¢. Pork, 40¢. Lard, 18¢. Butter, 20¢. 100 lbs. mess pork is at \$14.50. Sight exchange on the east is at 95.

**United States District Court.**  
Honorable Judge Betts, presiding.  
**DEATH OF THE HON. JUDGE JUDSON.**  
MARCH 10.—Mr. E. C. Benedict brought to the notice of the Court the death of the Hon. Andrew T. Judson, Judge of the United States for the district of Connecticut, and at remarking that Judge Judson had presided at this Court during the illness of the resident Judge, and ad commended himself to the respect and affection of who knew him, by the kindness of his disposition, the simplicity and the purity of his life, and his individuality and integrity, moved that the Court do adjourn out respect to his memory.

Mr. George F. Betts seconded the motion, and remarked that the death of Judge Judson's life, he

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seriously affected his health, and tended to hasten on the close of his death, although not the immediate cause or

The Court thereupon adjourned until 11 A. M., on Monday next.

**Police Intelligence.**

*Charge of Maiming—Biting of a Nose.*—Yesterday officer Parker, of the Second district police court, arrested a man called Patrick Canna, on a warrant issued by Judge Sullivan, charging him with the crime of maiming. The assaulting Andrew Carson, residing at No. 188 East Twentieth street, near First avenue, and biting off one side of his nose and a portion of the cheek, disfiguring Mr. Carson, on St. Patrick's day, in Twenty-fifth street, took from complainant's pocket a rule. Mr. Carson requested him to return it, but the prisoner refused to do so. When the rule was taken from Carson by provocation, seized Carson about the neck, drew his head up to his own mouth, and bit one side of his nose off, together with a portion of his cheek. The accused was taken before the magistrate, where he had to answer the charge, and in default of bail was committed to prison for trial.

*Charge of Rape Overboard.*—A man, named William Martin, captured another man named George Stanley from

Conway, when he words ensued between them, and Arthur struck Stanley a blow which knocked him from the saddle late the night before last, before he was near the city's downtown. Officer Conroy, of the Third Precinct, arrested Martin, and conveyed him before Justice Osborn, who committed him to prison to answer the assault.

The robbery, as mentioned above, took place at about half-past eight street time, robbed of an omnibus, containing \$57 in bank bills, while riding in an omnibus, on Friday afternoon, in going from Broadway and Broome street, Forty-eighth street to the police station, where they were arrested. The officers are charged with being negligent in allowing a class of pickpockets; several persons have been robbed within a short time past, while riding in stages, and it is not until the known rogues pass your reputation for catching will soon be a matter at issue, if these depredations are permitted to be carried on with impunity.

**Assault on a Policeman.**—On Friday night, about 10 o'clock, policeman Conroy, of the First ward, while on duty in Bridge street, was violently assaulted by John Butler, Daniel Sullivan, and John Sullivan. It seems there was a sudden attack on the policeman, knocked him down on the sidewalk, and when down, they beat him in

was procured, and the three men taken into custody and conveyed to the station house, and in the morning came before Justice Oshora, who committed them to the cells for trial.

**Court of General Sessions.**

Before Judge Beebe, and Aldermen Tiemans and Cornish.

MARCH 18.—Joseph H. Waxstaff, convicted of assault and battery on an aged German, was fined fifty dollars, which he paid.

James Cahill, convicted of assault and battery, (in connection with highway robbery,) was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and be imprisoned in the city prison for ten days.

Thomas Burton, indicted for burglary, but ultimately convicted of an attempt to grand larceny, and whose case was fully reported within the last week, was sentenced to two years imprisonment.

**Obituary.**

On JOHN DUCKY, died in Beaver, Penn., on the 14th inst. Mr. Diekey was formerly member of Congress from Washington and Beaver, and at the time of his death was United States Marshal for the Western district of Pennsylvania. He had just returned from Washington, where he had finally settled up all the business of his office, prepar-

On the 17th inst., an elderly female named Sally Colton, while crossing the railroad track near No. 3 street, was run over by a train, and killed.